

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Health Medical & Family Welfare Department – Sri D. Naresh, Pharmacist, Primary Health Centre, Kondurupaka (v), Boinpally (M) of Karimnagar district - Departmental action under rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Initiated – Minor penalty of withholding two annual grade increments without cumulative effect – Awarded – Orders – Issued.

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HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (VC-1) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No. 1513

Dated:02-11-2010

Read the following:-

- 1) G.O. Rt. No. 1806, Health Medical & Family Welfare (VC.I) Department, dated 11.12.2008.
- 2) From Sri D. Naresh, Pharmacist, PHC, Kondurupaka (v), Boinpally Mandal of Karimnagar district, dated 11.5.2009.
- 3) G.O. Rt. No. 1238, Health Medical & Family Welfare (VC.I) Department, dated 24.09.2009.
- 4) From the Assistant Director (Plg.) & Inquiry Officer, Letter Rc. No. 036717/A/Asst.Dir./Peshi/07, dated 8.7.2010.
- 5) From the Director of Public Health, Letter No. 036717/VC.IB/07, dated 19.08.2010.

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ORDER:

In the G.O. first read above, departmental proceedings under rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 have been initiated against Sri D. Naresh, Pharmacist, Primary Health Centre, Kondurupaka (v), Boinpally Mandal of Karimnagar district and articles of charge have been framed and communicated to him for submitting his written statement of defence. The charge is that, he failed to maintain the stock registers of Drugs and held responsible for the discrepancies of medicines between book balance and ground balance when surprised Check was conducted by the ACB officials on 25.10.2007 and failed to maintain absolute integrity in violation of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964. In the reference second read above, the Charged Officer has denied the charge and submitted that he is not having any adverse remarks against him in his entire service and that he is the lone pharmacist to maintain two stores i.e., main Store and Sub-Store of the PHC. The deviation in medicines might have been arisen due to the medicines supplied and issued to the out-patients in emergency need in a hastily manner on certain occasions during the Epidemic periods. On verification of the said medicines less and excess, he found that they are available in main stores. They have been produced before the Medical Officer and entered in the fresh registers maintained under the instructions of the ACB who seized the stock registers. He has requested to drop further action in the matter. The explanation has been considered as not convincing and a regular inquiry was ordered.

2. In the reference fourth read above, the Inquiry Officer has submitted his findings holding that the charges may be dropped against the Charged Officer taking a lenient view or may be taken a minor action.

3. After careful examination of the matter, Government observed that the charge that he failed to maintain stock registers properly and there are variations between the book balance and ground balance is held proved, for the reason that the Charged Officer himself admitted the discrepancies and his explanation is not convincing. He has given contradictory statements that, on one hand he stated that the discrepancies are due to issue of medicines to out-patients during epidemic period and on the other hand that the medicines were available in main stores. Even if the medicines are issued in emergency, it is the responsibility of the Pharmacist to make entry later on, as they will be issued only on authorized prescription from the Medical Officer. Therefore, Government have decided to

award the minor penalty of withholding two annual grade increments without cumulative effect against Sri D. Naresh, Pharmacist, PHC, Kondurupaka village for the charges held proved against him. Accordingly, under sub-rule (iv) of rule 9 of the A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991, Government hereby award the penalty of withholding of two annual grade increments without cumulative effect against Sri D. Naresh, Pharmacist, PHC, Kondurupaka (v), Boinpally (M) of Karimnagar district.

4. A copy of the Inquiry Report is enclosed.
5. The Director of Public Health, A.P. shall take further action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.P.V.RAMESH  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
Sri D. Naresh, Pharmacist,  
PHC, Kondurupaka (v),  
Boinpally (M),  
Karimnagar district  
(through the Director of Public Health).

Copy to:

The Director of Public Health, A.P., Hyderabad.  
The Regional Director of Medical & Health Services, Warangal.  
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, A.P., Hyderabad.  
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner  
A.P.Vigilance Commission.

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SECTION OFFICER